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SUBJECT: IZMIR GOVERNOR CLAIMS ARREST OF PERPETRATORS OF
ATTACK ON CONGEN RESIDENCE

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1. I STOOD LAST NIGHT WITH ACTING GOVERNOR NECDET CALP AT THE
GERMAN DAY RECEPTION AT THE IZMIR INTERNATIONAL FAIR WHILE
CALP RECEIVED A RUNNING ACCOUNT BY WALKIE-TALKIE RADIO OF A
POLICE GUN BATTLE WITH ALLEGED ANARCHISTS THEN IN PROGRESS IN

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THE SUBURB OF BAKOVA. THE ACTING GOVERNOR SAID THE ANARCHISTEK
WERE MEMBER OF THE "ACILCILER GROUP" OF THE TURKISH PEOPLES
LIBERATION PARTY WHO HAD ROBBED AN IS BANK BRANCH IN IZMIR ON
AUGUST 19, AND HAD ALSO PERPETRATED THE GUNFIRE ATTACK ON MY
RESIDENCE ON AUGUST 2. (HOWEVER THE POLICE DIRECTOR TOLD THE
PRESS YESTERDAY HE WAS NOT YET SURE OF THE LATTER.) CALP
ADDED THAT THE SAME GROUP WERE BELIEVED RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
BOMBING OF TARIS DIRECTOR ORHAN DAUT'S AUTOMOBILE ON AUGUST 4.

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ACCORDING TO CALP THREE OF THE BANK ROBBERS HAD BEEN CAPTURED
THE SAME NIGHT AS THE ROBBERY AND THEIR INTERROGATION HAD LED
TO THE IDENTIFICATION OF A HOUSE IN BAKOVA AS THE GANG'S
HIDEOUT.

2. AS REPORTED IN TODAY'S PRESS, THE GUN BATTLE LASTED TWO
HOURS AND LED TO THE CAPTURE OF THE TWO WOMEN MEMBERS OF THE GANG
WHO HAD KEPT POLICE UNDER FIRE WHILE TWO MALE COMPANIONS

ESCAPED. ONE WOMAN, IDENTIFIED AS TURKAN YAZICILER, SURRENDERED WHEN SHE BECAME WOUNDED BUT FERIDE ARAT CONTINUED TO FIRE UNTIL FORCED FROM THE HOUSE BY TEAR GAS. POLICE DISCOVERED A STORE OF WEAPONS AND THE BANK ROBBERY FUNDS IN THE HOUSE.

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3. ACTING GOVERNOR CALP EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH THE RESULTS OF THE CURRENT CAMPAIGN TO TRACK DOWN TERRORIST

GROUPS IN IZMIR, CLAIMING THAT MASSIVE EFFORTS UNDER ACTING POLICE DIRECTOR YILMAZ CAPIN HAD BEEN MORE PRODUCTIVE HERE THAN SIMILAR CAMPAIGNS IN ISTANBUL AND ANKARA. HOWEVER, CALP ADDED THAT HE HIMSELF, AS A HOLDOVER FROM THE SHORT-LIVED ECEVIT GOVERNMENT, MUST RELINQUISH HIS TEMPORARY POST AND RETURN TO ANKARA ON AUGUST 24. MEANWHILE, HE SAID THAT GOVERNOR EGILMEZ, A DEMIREL SUPPORTER, WHOM HE HAD REPLACED, WOULD RETURN TO DUTY AT IZMIR FOR AWHILE BEFORE RETIRING. THE CONTINUED TENURE OF THE ACTING POLICE DIRECTOR, APPOINTED IN JUNE UNDER SIMILAR CIRCUMSTANCES IS ALSO IN DOUBT.
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